

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

Shuji SAITOH et al.

Serial Number: 09/147,052

Filed: April 5, 1999

For: NOVEL FUSED PROTEIN, GENE THEREFOR, RECOMBINANT VECTOR,
RECOMBINANT VIRUS, AND ITS USE



Group Art Unit: 1641

Examiner: HINES, J.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 27, 2000

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 29, 2000, the Applicants respectfully request that the present application be amended as follows, and the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the amendments and the following remarks. A petition for a one-month extension of the response period and the requisite fee therefor are submitted concurrently herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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